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Application No. 09/954,507

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS**

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Sir: This is a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts in a patent application in the name of inventors:

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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAINTAINING CONNECTION STATE BETWEEN A CONNECTION MANAGER AND A FAILOVER DEVICE**

Application Elements:

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**Declaration**

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Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) for a continuation or divisional).

The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the declaration is herein supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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Deletion of inventors Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

Accompanying Application Parts:

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Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449

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Copies of IDS Citations

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Preliminary Amendment (*New claims numbered after highest original claim in prior application.*)

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- ☐ Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status filed in prior application. Status still proper and desired.
- ☒ Other: Replacement copy of the specification with the Claims commencing on a separate sheet

#### Amendments

- ☐ Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (*At least one original independent claim must be retained.*)

#### Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

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INDEP CLAIMS	_____ -03 = _____			x40 = \$	OR		x80 = \$
[ ] Multiple Dependent Claim Presented				\$130 = \$	OR		\$260 = \$
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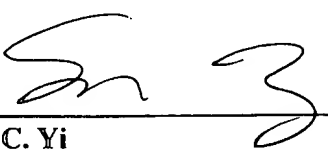
- ☒ Applicants petition for a three (3) month extension of time to respond under 37 CFR § 1.136(a).
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- ☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for this or any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 50-0685 (Order No. CISCPO41C1 ).
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